

Please enter the following amendments and remarks:

STATUS OF THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-55 are pending in the Application.

Claims 41-54 are withdrawn from consideration without prejudice.

Claims 1-40 and 55 are finally rejected by the Examiner.

Applicant has herein amended independent Claims 1, 9, 24, and 28 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Applicant has herein cancelled Claims 17-23, 25-27 and 34-40 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Accordingly, reconsideration of the present Application is respectfully requested.



AMENDMENTS

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In the Claims

Please amend the claims of the instant application, without prejudice, as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) A system for providing memorial information about a deceased party interred at a cemetery location comprising:

DI (A) a memory device affixed to a physical object positioned at the cemetery location, the memory device being accessible to any public user, the memorial information residing on the memory device; and

(B) a portable memory reading device holdable by one of the public users, separate from the memory device, that retrieves the memorial information directly from the memory device via a non-permanent proximity link when positioned at the memory device location, and that communicates the memorial information to at least one of the public users located at the cemetery location;

wherein the memory device is externally connectionless for at least one of data and power.

DI 9. (Twice Amended) A system for providing historical information about a historically notable location comprising:

(A) a memory device affixed to a physical object positioned at the historically notable location, in a publicly accessible area, the historical information residing on the memory device; and

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(B) a portable memory reading device, separate from the memory device, held by a user, that retrieves the historical information directly from the memory device via a non-permanent proximity link when positioned at the memory location and communicates the historical information to a user located at the historically notable location;

wherein the memory device is externally connectionless for at least one of data and power.

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24. (Twice Amended) A method for providing information related to a remote location, the information comprising memorial information about a deceased party where the remote location comprises a cemetery location, and the information comprising historical information about the remote location where the remote location comprises a historically notable location, comprising:

(A) storing the information on a memory device, the information being stored in a format for direct retrieval from the memory device and display to a user with a portable memory reading device, wherein the portable memory reading device is separate from the memory device, when the portable memory reading device reads directly from the memory device via a non-permanent proximity link; and

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(B) affixing the memory device to a physical object positioned at the remote location;

wherein the memory device is externally connectionless for at least one of data and power.

28. (Twice Amended) A system for providing information related to a geographically remote and publicly accessible location comprising:

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(A) a memory device affixed to a physical object at the remote location, the information residing on the memory device; and

(B) a portable memory reading device, separate from the memory device, held by a user, that directly retrieves the information from the memory device via a non-permanent proximity link when positioned at the remote location and communicates the information to a user located at the remote location;

wherein the memory device is externally connectionless for at least one of data and power.

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55. (Amended) A system for providing information related to a geographically remote and publicly accessible location, comprising:

a memory device affixed at the remote location;

a portable memory reader, separate from said memory device;

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a data connector, wherein said data connector, upon wired connection to said portable reader and upon contact with said memory device, passes the information directly from said memory device positioned at the remote location to said portable reader located at the remote location via a non-permanent proximity link;

wherein the memory device is externally connectionless for at least one of data and power.
